



CALIFORNIA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING

801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California

<u>Public Session Location</u> – 801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California, Room 150 Teleconference – 320 West 4th Street Los Angeles, California, Suite 620

<u>Closed Session Location</u> – 801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California, Room 141 Teleconference – 320 West 4th Street Los Angeles, California Suite 620

SUMMARY MINUTES - JULY 11, 2006

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PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

1. ROLL CALL

William Elkins, President Maeley Tom, Member Anne Sheehan, Member Patricia Clarey, Member

2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER – Floyd D. Shimomura

The Board was briefed on a list of budget proposals which will be discussed with Agency. The Executive Officer solicited the comments of the Board members and this matter will be taken up again at the August meeting.

3. REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINSTRATION (DPA) - DPA Representative

Daryll Tsujihara gave a brief report on recent activities of the Department of Personnel Administration.

4. REPORT OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL – Elise Rose

Litigation:

 <u>Elliot vs. CSU/SPB</u> - case comes out of CSU - employee was suspended and demoted. Legal issue is whether or not CSU can still continue with adverse action after having withdrawn a charge of sexual harassment while factual allegations remain the same.

Other:

- Administrative Law Judges and legal staff are undergoing training by the National Judicial College on writing judicial decisions.
- Legal staff completed training of SPB staff regarding Public Records Act requests and policy has been distributed.

¹ The Minutes for the Board Meeting can be obtained at the following internet address: http://www.spb.ca.gov/calendar.htm

- SPB has been involved in the Plata receivership in providing information to the Receiver and his chief of staff pertaining to physician discipline process.
- Evelyn Mateucci, Chief Counsel of Agency, is on loan now to CDCR legal department for a 30 - 60 day period.
- SPB has a new Law Clerk on board, Nicholas Knight.

5. NEW BUSINESS – Maeley Tom

Member Maeley Tom gave a brief report on recent activities of the Public Employees Retirement System.

6. REPORT ON LEGISLATION – Sherry Evans

NONE

- 7. HEARING Public Hearing Regarding State Employment Application (STD. 678 (Rev/ 12/2001))
 - Bruce Monfross, California State Personnel Board

Members of the public were invited to discuss whether the Instructions section of the state employment application, pursuant to Richard Toby (2001) SPB Dec. No. 01-04, should clarify whether employees who have been rejected during their probationary period be required to answer "Yes" to Question No. 5 of the employment application.

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8. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **PRECILLA CALAUNAN**, **CASE NO. 05-1737RPA**. Appeal from dismissal. Psychiatric Technician Assistant. Department of Developmental Services.

Persons Participating:

Terry Slover, Labor Relations Specialist, Department of Developmental Services, representing respondent

Ben Allamano, Attorney, representing appellant

ACTION: SUBMITTED

9. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **PAUL CHATHAM**, **CASE NO. 05-1287A & SARAH WIRTH**, **CASE NO. 05-1599A**. Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months and two work days suspension. Correctional Lieutenant and Correctional Sergeant. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Persons Participating:

Dennis DeFelice, Staff Counsel, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, representing respondent

Katherine Hart, Attorney, representing appellant Paul Chatham Chris Howard, Staff Legal Counsel, California Correctional Peace Officers Association (CCPOA), representing appellant Sarah Wirth

ACTION: SUBMITTED

CLOSED SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

10. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, AND OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code Sections 11126(d), 18653.]

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

11. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING - PSYCH SCREENING

- Jim Tilton, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- Sandra Duveneck, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- Sherrill Leake, Ph. D., California State Personnel Board

The SPB conducts required psychological screening for state safety employees, including correctional officers. This briefing discussed ways in which the hiring process for correctional officers may be expedited given the urgent hiring need for more correctional officers.

12. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING - CPS HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

- Jerry Greenwell, Chief Executive Officer, CPS Human Resource Services

Jerry Greenwell gave a brief report on recent activities of CPS.

13. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING – CEA POSITIONS IN STATE CIVIL SERVICE

- Jennifer Roche, California State Personnel Board
- Karen Coffee, California State Personnel Board

Jennifer Roche and Karen Coffee briefed the five-member State Personnel Board on Career Executive Assignment (CEA) positions in State Civil Service.

14. STATE PERSONNEL BOARD HEROES

- Laura M. Aguilera, California State Personnel Board
- Karen Coffee, California State Personnel Board

SPB staff showed their appreciation to the following individuals who have partnered with SPB this past year and who have helped to make it possible for SPB to move forward with critical civil service reform efforts.

- Mitch Coppin, Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training
- Claudina Nevis, State CIO's Office
- Caroline Cabias, State CIO's Office
- Margarita Maldonado, Service Employees International Union, Local 1000
- Mary Hernandez, Service Employees International Union, Local 1000
- Karen Lynch, Department of Personnel Administration
- Daryll Tsujihara, Department of Personnel Administration
- Clark Kelso, State CIO

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15. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, AND OTHER APPEALS

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16. DELIBERATION ON ADVERSE ACTIONS, DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS, AND OTHER PROPOSED DECISIONS SUBMITTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

Deliberations on matters submitted at prior hearing; on proposed, rejected, remanded, and submitted decisions; petitions for rehearing; and other matters related to cases heard by administrative law judges of the State Personnel Board or by the Board itself. [Government Code Sections 11126 (d), and 18653 (2).] (See Action Taken on Pages 11–17)

17. PENDING LITIGATION

Conference with legal counsel to confer with and receive advice regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session would be prejudicial. [Government Code sections 11126(e)(1) and 18653.]

Connerly v. State Personnel Board, California Supreme Court, Case No. S125502.

International Union of Operating Engineers v. State Personnel Board, Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) Case No. SA-CE-1295-S.

18. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE

Deliberations on recommendations to the legislature. [Government Code section 18653.]
- Implementation of AB 124

19. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR

Deliberations on recommendations to the Governor. [Government Code section 18653.]

- Implementation of AB 124

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

20. DISCUSSION OF COMING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE OF JULY 25, 2006, IN SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

NONE

BOARD ACTIONS:

21. ADOPTION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2006

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

22. EVIDENTIARY CASES

ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 11–20

23. RESOLUTION EXTENDING TIME UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 EXTENSION - (See Minutes on Pages 28–29)

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

24. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 20–25

25. NON-HEARING CALENDAR

The following proposals were made to the State Personnel Board by either the Board staff or Department of Personnel Administration staff.

On July 11, 2006, the following proposals were presented to the Board by Karen Coffee, Chief, Merit Employment and Technical Resources Division, California State Personnel Board.

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

A. BOARD ITEMS PRESENTED BY STATE PERSONNEL BOARD OR DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH, REVISE OR ABOLISH CLASSIFICATIONS, ALTERNATE RANGE CRITERIA, ETC.

NONE

B. ABOLISHMENT OF CLASSES THAT HAVE HAD NO INCUMBENTS FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS. DEPARTMENTS THAT UTILIZE THE CLASS AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE UNION HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE ABOLISHMENT OF THESE CLASSES.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION AND STATE PERSONNEL BOARD propose to abolish the following unused classifications, which have been vacant for more than twenty-four months. Departments that utilize the class as well as the appropriate union have no objection to the abolishment of these classes.

Title	Class Code
Service Assistant (Toll Collection)	1709
CalTRANS Accounting Administrator IV	6776
Labor Compliance Officer Division of Highways	9503
Senior Highway Outdoor Advertising Inspector	8850
Senior Legislative Clerk	1319
Operations Security Officer	4230
Calculating Machine Operator – Key Driven	1433
Service Assistant – EDP Operations	1356
*Supervising Aviation Consultant	5626

^{*} Indicates classes which are part of a class series. Only the classifications listed above will be abolished.

26. STAFF CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION NONE PRESENTED

27. CAREER EXECUTIVE ASSIGNMENT (CEA) CATEGORY ACTIVITY

This section of the Minutes serves to inform interested individuals and departments of proposed and approved CEA position actions.

A. REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION

CHIEF COUNSEL

The California Children and Families Commission (CCFC) proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief Counsel will provide legal interpretations, analysis and advise to the Commission and Executive Director on legal issues as they affect the overall policies of the Commission.

CHIEF COUNSEL

The California Department of Aging proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief Counsel will provide counsel and policy direction to the Executive Staff; Long-Term Care and Aging Services Program; Community Based Services Program; Adult Day Health Care Program (Medi-Cal provider certification); Multipurpose Senior Services Program (Medi-Cal Waiver); Health Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (HICAP); State Long-Term Care Ombudsman; and Administrative Services.

CHIEF, FOOD STAMP BRANCH, WELFARE TO WORK DIVISION

The Department of Social Services proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief, Food Stamp Branch directs the policy development, application and maintenance of uniform, statewide, programmatic and fiscal procedures related to the eligibility determination and employment services components of the Food Stamp Program assignments within the Branch.

SENIOR SCIENCE AND POLICY ADVISOR

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Senior Science and Policy Advisor will influence the future development of environmental policy, bio-technical policy, and the State's promotion of California.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF PROBLEM GAMBLING

The Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs proposes to permanently establish the above position to the CEA category. The Deputy Director, Office of Problem Gambling was approved to the CEA Category November 30, 2004 for a one year period. On November 29, 2005, SPB granted a one-year extension for the position. The Deputy Director, Office of Problem Gambling is responsible for the effective management, planning, direction, oversight, and policy development of statewide strategies to address the evolving needs of problem gambling, including intervention, prevention, and treatment services.

B. EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECISIONS REGARDING REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS

CHIEF, OFFICE OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT BRANCH

The Department of Motor Vehicles proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been approved effective June 7, 2006.

CHIEF OF OPERATIONS

The Department of Motor Vehicles proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been approved effective June 7, 2006.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR. SECURITY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The Department of Technology's proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been approved effective June 2, 2006.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

The Prison Industry Authority's proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category has been disapproved effective May 24, 2006.

ACTION: NOTED

28. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, & OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code sections 11126(d), 18653.]

29. WRITTEN STAFF REPORT FOR BOARD INFORMATION

Annual Report to the Legislature – 2005 Discrimination Complaint Activity in the State Civil Service

This report is prepared to comply with Government Code Section 19702.5(c), which requires the Board to annually report to the Legislature on discrimination complaint activity in the state civil service. State Departments are required to submit information to the Board on a quarterly basis. The EEO Office of each department typically provides the data. The information requested includes internal formal and informal discrimination complaints as well as formal complaints filed directly with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. In addition, Appeals cases involving discrimination are also integrated into this report.

ACTION: APPROVED

30. PRESENTATION OF EMERGENCY ITEMS AS NECESSARY NONE

31. BOARD ACTIONS ON SUBMITTED ITEMS

ACTION: See Minutes on Pages 26–27

ADJOURNMENT

WHAT FOLLOWS IS A RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS 22 – 24 AS NOTED.

22. EVIDENTIARY CASES

The Board Administrative Law Judges conduct evidentiary hearings in appeals that include, but are not limited to, adverse actions, medical terminations, demotions, discrimination, reasonable accommodations, and whistleblower complaints.

A. BOARD CASES SUBMITTED

These items have been taken under submission by the State Personnel Board at a prior meeting.

On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) ALEJANDRO GILL, CASE NO. 05-0054RA

Appeal for dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected January 6, 2006. Oral argument heard May 2, 2006, Los Angeles. Case ready for decision by FULL Board

NO ACTION

(2) JUDY JOHNSON, CASE NO. 05-1367A

Appeal from automatic resignation

Classification: Motor Vehicle Field Representative

Department: Department of Motor Vehicles

Proposed decision rejected February 21, 2006. Oral argument (written record) submitted May 2, 2006, Los Angeles.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

(3) RICK OCHOA, CASE NO. 04-2373BA

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision rejected January 24, 2006. Oral argument heard April 4, 2006, Sacramento. Case ready for decision by FULL Board

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential Decision, finding that the appellant is entitled to an award of interest on the back pay already paid to the appellant as a result of the settlement agreement entered into between the appellant and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(4) EDUARDO PEREZ, CASE NO. 05-0763A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months Classification: Parole Agent I (Adult Parole)

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected November 1, 2005. Oral argument (written record) submitted May 2, 2006, Los Angeles.

Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

ACTION: The Board issued a Resolution adopting the Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge, but modifying the disciplinary action taken against the appellant in his position as a Parole Agent I with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from a five percent reduction in salary for six months to a five percent reduction in salary for two months.

B. <u>CASES PENDING</u>

ORAL ARGUMENTS

These cases were on calendar to be argued at this meeting or to be considered by the Board in closed session based on written arguments submitted by the parties.

On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) PRECILLA CALAUNAN, CASE NO. 05-1737RPA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Psychiatric Technician Assistant **Department:** Department of Developmental Services

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(2) PAUL CHATHAM, CASE NO. 05-1287A SARAH WIRTH, CASE NO. 05-1599A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months and two work days suspension

Classification: Correctional Lieutenant and Correctional Sergeant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: SUBMITTED

C. CHIEF COUNSEL RESOLUTIONS

On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) CHRISTOPHER FLYNN, CASE NO. 05-1733

Appeal from rejection from probation **Classification:** Registered Nurse CF

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Request for Order to show cause against the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for failure to comply with Board Order.

ACTION: The Board issued a Resolution granting, in part, the appellant's request for an Order to Show Cause against the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and directing the Department to immediately reinstate the appellant to the classification of Registered Nurse (Correctional Facility), and to pay the appellant all back salary and benefits owed to him as a result of the Board's March 21, 2006, Decision that revoked the appellant's rejection during probation.

(2) HABTNESH EZRA, CASE NO. 05-1286

Appeal from 30 work days suspension

Classification: Nurse Evaluator II, DHS

Department: Department of Health Services

Withdrawal of action or appeal

ACTION: The Board issued a Resolution revoking the Proposed Decision that found that the appellant had withdrawn her appeal from 30 working days suspension in the position of Nurse Evaluator II with the Department of Health Services, and rescheduled the case for a hearing before a different Administrative Law Judge. The Board also denied the appellant's request for a stay of the proceedings until completion of her civil trial in the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

COURT REMANDS

This case has been remanded to the Board by the court for further Board action.

(3) ANTHONY GUBLER, CASE NO. 03-2774

Appeal from dismissal **Classification**: Officer

Department: California Highway Patrol

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential Decision,

sustaining appellant's dismissal.

STIPULATIONS

PROPOSED DECISIONS

NONE

D. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S (ALJ) PROPOSED DECISIONS</u>

These were ALJ's proposed decisions submitted to the Board for the first

time.

On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) TODD ACOSTA, CASE NO. 05-3444

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(2) **JOHN CALINDAS, CASE NO. 06-0287**

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for one year

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board rejected the ALJ's proposed Decision dismissing the adverse action and remanded the case to a different ALJ.

(3) BECKY CHIRIGOTIS, CASE NOS. 05-2115E, 05-2275 and 05-3110

Appeal from reasonable accommodation complaint, five working days' suspension and 20 working days' suspension

Classification: Program Technician II

Department: Employment Development Department

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the five working days' suspension and sustaining the 20

working days' suspension.

(4) GREG DALLMAN, CASE NO. 05-0137

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(5) ERIC FERREIRA, CASE NO. 05-2888

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Staff Services Analyst

Department: Department of Consumer Affairs

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the dismissal.

(6) DEYANIRA MOLINA, CASE NO. 05-1567

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Housing Finance Specialist

Department: California Housing Finance Agency

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the dismissal.

(7) EULALIO MONCADA, CASE NO. 05-0668

Appeal from demotion

Classification: Inspector of Automotive Equipment

Department: Department of General Services

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the demotion.

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(8) THOMAS PIPES, CASE NO. 04-2839

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Teacher (High School-Physical Education)

(Correctional Facility)

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the dismissal.

(9) GLORIA ROBLEDO, CASE NO. 06-0049

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 12 months

Classification: Correctional Lieutenant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the reduction in salary.

(10) BRIAN SHURTLEFF, CASE NO. 06-0050

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for three months **Classification:** Plant Quarantine Supervisor I

Department: Department of Food and Agriculture

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the reduction in salary.

(11) SHERRI VAN DUYN, CASE NO. 05-1605

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Material and Stores Supervisor I

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision modifying the dismissal.

(12) GERALD WILLIAMS, CASE NO. 04-1783

Appeal for reinstatement

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

denying the appeal.

PROPOSED DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER SUBMISSION AT PRIOR MEETING

NONE

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER BOARD REMAND

(13) FELIX RAYGOZA, CASE NO. 05-1577R

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Motor Vehicle Field Representative

Department: Department of Motor Vehicles

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER SPB ARBITRATION

NONE

E. PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

ALJ PROPOSED DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD

The Board voted to grant or deny a petition for rehearing filed by one or both parties, regarding a case already decided by the Board.

On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) CLAIRE HAMILTON, CASE NO. 02-2951P

Appeal from whistleblower retaliation complaint

Classification: Staff Services Analyst Department: Exposition and State Fair ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

(2) RAYMOND HOLM, CASE NO. 05-0512P

Appeal from demotion

Classification: Fire Captain

Department: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

(3) REVONNA ROPER, CASE NO. 03-2724P

Appeal from rejection during probation Classification: Personnel Technician I Department: Department of Transportation ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

(4) STEPHANIE WILSON, CASE NO. 05-1880P

Appeal from ten percent reduction in salary for six months

Classification: Fire Apparatus Engineer

Department: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

WHISTLEBLOWER NOTICE OF FINDINGS

NONE

F. PENDING BOARD REVIEW

These cases were pending preparation of transcripts, briefs, or the setting of oral argument before the Board.

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On July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) DANNY BROWN, CASE NO. 05-2209A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected April 4, 2006.

Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles

NO ACTION

(2) PRECILLA CALAUNAN, CASE NO. 05-1737RPA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Psychiatric Technician Assistant

Department: Department of Developmental Services

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006.

Pending oral argument July 11-12, 2006, Sacramento.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(3) PAUL CHATHAM, CASE NO. 05-1287A SARAH WIRTH, CASE NO. 05-1599A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months and two work days suspension

Classification: Correctional Lieutenant and Correctional Sergeant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected May 2, 2006.

Pending oral argument July 11-12, 2006, Sacramento.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(4) JACK FRIEDMAN, M.D., CASE NO. 05-2596A JOHN S. COLOCOUSIS, M.D., CASE NO. 05-2592A

Appeal from formal reprimand and formal reprimand and five work days suspension

Classification: Physician and Surgeon, Correctional Facility **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected June 6, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

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(5) GAIL GARCIA, CASE NO. 05-3030A

Appeal from constructive demotion **Classification**: Office Technician

Department: Department of Developmental Services

Proposed decision rejected May 2, 2006.

Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

(6) RAYMOND GURULE, CASE NO. 05-1351A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision rejected April 4, 2006.

Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

Pending oral argument September 5-6, 2006, Sacramento.

NO ACTION

(7) LEE KENDRICK, CASE NO. 04-1620PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Transportation Surveyor Department: Department of Transportation

Petition for Rehearing granted April 4, 2006.

Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

(8) CHAD LOOK, CASE NO. 04-1789APB

Appeal for back pay

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected June 21, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

(9) TIFFANY MIRANDA, CASE NO. 05-4330A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Custodian Supervisor II

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected June 21, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

(10) JONATHAN SILVERMAN, CASE NO. 05-0078A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Workers' Compensation Payroll Auditor Department: State Compensation Insurance Fund

Proposed decision rejected May 23, 2006. Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

(11) RAYMOND SLEDGE, CASE NO. 04-2809PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor **Department:** Department of the Youth Authority

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

(12) JAMES STEED, CASE NO. 05-0207PA

Appeal from constructive medical suspension

Classification: Facility Captain

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006. Pending oral argument August 8-9, 2006, Los Angeles.

NO ACTION

24. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

A. WITHHOLD APPEALS

Cases were heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board or investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by a Staff Hearing Officer or Appeals Division staff for final decision on each appeal.

WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION CASES HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

NONE

<u>WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION</u> CASES NOT HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

On July 11, 2006, the Board adopted as indicated below the following items as presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) LISA BOOCKS, CASE NO. 05-1968

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; furnished inaccurate information and omitted

pertinent information. **ACTION: DENIED**

(2) ANGEL CASTANEDA, CASE NO. 05-1763

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information and had a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(3) CHEMELIA CRIBBS, CASE NO. 05-2107

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability, omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information, had a negative employment and driving record and non-compliance issues.

ACTION: DENIED

(4) RICHARD ELLIS, JR., CASE NO. 05-1608

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; a negative driving record and failure to meet

legal obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

(5) JOSEPH GARCIA, CASE NO. 05-2108

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability: furnished inaccurate information and a negative

employment record. **ACTION: DENIED**

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(6) SANTIAGO GONZALEZ, CASE NO. 05-2109

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; negative law enforcement contacts, negative

driving and failure to meet legal obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

(7) SANDY KAMEI, CASE NO. 05-1981

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(8) JOSHUA MAHANEY, CASE NO. 05-1982

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information and a negative

driving record.

ACTION: DENIED

(9) **HENRY MEIER, CASE NO 05-1883**

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information and had a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(10) ANDRES PARTIDA, CASE NO. 05-1391

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; furnished inaccurate information and had a

negative driving and employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(11) FERNANDO PITONES, CASE NO. 05-1896

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; furnished inaccurate information.

ACTION: DENIED

(12) HILDEGARD RAMSEY, CASE NO. 05-0596

Classification: Medical Technical Assistant-Psychiatric (MTA-P)

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(13) **GUSTAVO SANCHEZ, CASE NO. 05-2292**

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information, had a negative employment and driving record and non-compliance with legal obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

(14)**ROBERT SHARPE, CASE NO. 05-1168**

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability: omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information, a negative employment and driving record and arrest/conviction record.

ACTION: DENIED

SANDRA SIMPSON, CASE NO. 05-1673 (15)

Classification: Medical Technical Assistant-Psychiatric (MTA-P) **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information.

ACTION: DENIED

VINCENT STANLEY, CASE NO. 05-1916 (16)

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; furnished inaccurate information, had a negative

employment record and failed to meet his legal obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

(17) **JEFFERY WALTRIP, CASE NO. 05-1686**

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability: omitted pertinent information, negative law

enforcement contacts and arrest/conviction record.

ACTION: DENIED

(18) MARLON WASHINGTON, CASE NO. 05-1685

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information and a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(19) TERRELL WHITE, CASE NO. 05-1918

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information and furnished

inaccurate information. **ACTION: DENIED**

(20) MATTHEW WIGGINS, CASE NO. 05-2291

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; education claims.

ACTION: DENIED

(21) JOHNNY WILLIAMS, CASE NO. 05-1915

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; omitted pertinent information, negative driving,

military record, negative law enforcement contacts,

arrest/conviction record and failure to meet legal obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

B. MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING APPEALS

Cases were heard by a Staff Hearing Panel comprised of a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board and a medical professional. The Board was presented recommendations by a Hearing Panel on each appeal.

On July 11, 2006, the Board adopted as indicated below the following items presented by Laura M. Aguilera, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) LISA COSME, CASE NO. 05-1133

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Appellant disqualified from employment as a

Correctional Officer. **ACTION: DENIED**

C. EXAMINATION APPEALS MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINTS

NONE

D. RULE 211 APPEALS RULE 212 OUT OF CLASS APPEALS VOIDED APPOINTMENT APPEALS

NONE

E. REQUEST TO FILE CHARGES CASES

Investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by Appeals Division staff for final decision on each request.

On July 11, 2006, the Board adopted as indicated below the following items presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) JILL ABERNATHY, CASE NO. 05-0036

Classification: Landscape Maintenance Worker **Department**: Department of Transportation

Issue: The charging party requests to file charges against

employees of the Department of Transportation

ACTION: DENIED

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING CASES

NONE

SUBMITTED

1. TEACHER STATE HOSPITAL (SEVERELY), ETC.

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

2. VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR (SAFETY)(VARIOUS SPECIALTIES)

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

3. TELEVISION SPECIALIST (SAFETY)

The Department of Corrections proposes to establish the new classification Television Specialist (Safety) by using the existing Television Specialist class specification and adding "Safety" as a parenthetical to recognize the public aspect of their job, additional language will be added to the Typical Tasks section of the class specification and a Special Physical Characteristics section will be added. (Presented to Board March 4, 2003.)

NO ACTION

4. HEARING – Personal Services Contract #04-03

Appeal of the California State Employees Association from the Executive Officer's April 15, 2004, Approval of Master Contracts between the California Department of Corrections and Staffing Solutions, CliniStaff, Inc., Staff USA, Inc., CareerStaff Unlimited, MSI International, Inc., Access Medical Staffing & Service, Drug Consultants, Infinity Quality Services Corporation, Licensed Medical Staffing, Inc., Morgan Management Services, Inc., Asereth Medical Services, and PrideStaff dba Rx Relief. (Hearing held August 12, 2004.)

NO ACTION

5. HEARING

Proposed new and revised State Personnel Board Regulations effecting equal opportunity, discrimination complaints and reasonable accommodation policies and procedures. (Hearing held July 7, 2004.)

NO ACTION

6. RICK OCHOA, CASE NO. 04-2373B

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest. Youth Correctional Officer. Department of the Youth Authority. (Oral argument held April 4, 2006.) **ACTION:** The Board issued a non-precedential Decision, finding that the appellant is entitled to an award of interest on the back pay already paid to the appellant as a result of the settlement agreement entered into between the appellant and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

7. ALEJANDRO GILL, CASE NO. 05-0054RA

Appeal from dismissal. Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held May 2, 2006.)

NO ACTION

8. JUDY JOHNSON, CASE NO. 05-1367A

Appeal from automatic resignation. Motor Vehicle Field Representative. Department of Motor Vehicles. (Oral argument, Written Record submitted May 2, 2006.)

NO ACTION

9. EDUARDO PEREZ, CASE NO. 05-0763A

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six months. Parole Agent I (Adult Parole). Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument, Written Record submitted May 2, 2006.)

ACTION: The Board issued a Resolution adopting the Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge, but modifying the disciplinary action taken against the appellant in his position as a Parole Agent I with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from a five percent reduction in salary for six months to a five percent reduction in salary for two months.

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

Since Government Code section 18671.1 requires that cases pending before State

Personnel Board Administrative Law Judges (ALJ's) be completed within six months or no
later than 90 days after submission of a case, whichever is first, absent the publication of
substantial reasons for needing an additional 45 days, the Board hereby publishes its
substantial reasons for the need for the 45-day extension for some of the cases now
pending before it for decision.

An additional 45 days may be required in cases that require multiple days of hearings, that have been delayed by unusual circumstances, or that involve any delay generated by either party (including, but not limited to, submission of written briefs, requests for settlement conferences, continuances, discovery disputes, pre-hearing motions). In such cases, six months may be inadequate for the ALJ to hear the entire case, prepare a proposed decision containing the detailed factual and legal analysis required by law, and for the State Personnel Board to review the decision and adopt, modify or reject the proposed decision within the time limitations of the statute.

Therefore, at its next meeting, the Board will issue the attached resolution extending the time limitation by 45 days for all cases that meet the above criteria, and that have been before the Board for less than six months as of the date of the Board meeting.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 provides that, absent waiver by the appellant, the time period in which the Board must render its decision on a petition pending before it shall not exceed six months from the date the petition was filed or 90 days from the date of submission; and

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 also provides for an extension of the time limitations by 45 additional days if the Board publishes substantial reasons for the need for the extension in its calendar prior to the conclusion of the six-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Agenda for the instant Board meeting included an item titled "Notice of Government Code section 18671.1 Resolution" which sets forth substantial reasons for utilizing that 45-day extension to extend the time to decide particular cases pending before the Board;

WHEREAS, there are currently pending before the Board cases that have required multiple days of hearing and/or that have been delayed by unusual circumstances or by acts or omissions of the parties themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the time limitations set forth in Government Code section 18671.1 are hereby extended an additional 45 days for all cases that have required multiple days of hearing or that have been delayed by acts or omissions of the parties or by unusual circumstances and that have been pending before the Board for less than six months as of the date this resolution is adopted.

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I hereby certify that the State Personnel Board made and adopted the preceding resolution at its meeting held on July 11, 2006.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

Floyd Shimomura

Executive Officer

California State Personnel Board